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## US Food and Drug Administration Sued for Failing to Regulate LED Lights

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The Soft Lights Foundation announces that the Foundation's President, Mark Baker, has filed a lawsuit in federal court against the Food and Drug Administration for failing to comply with 21 U.S.C. 360hh - 360ss and publish performance standards for Light Emitting Diode products to ensure the comfort, health, safety, and civil rights of the public and which has caused irreparable harm for Mr. Baker and millions of others. ([http://www.softlights.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Mark-Baker-vs.-FDA\\_filed.pdf](http://www.softlights.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Mark-Baker-vs.-FDA_filed.pdf)).

The US FDA is the only federal agency that has the Congressional authority and mandate to regulate electromagnetic radiation from electronic products. Despite this mandate, the FDA has failed to publish performance standards for LED vehicle headlights, LED streetlights, LED light bulbs, LED flashing lights on emergency vehicles, LED lights on children's shoes, and thousands of other products that use LEDs. The result of this failure is irreparable harm to millions of individuals and the environment.

Over 55,000 people have signed the petition to ban blinding LED headlights (<https://www.change.org/p/u-s-dot-ban-blinding-headlights-and-save-lives>). LED streetlights have greatly increased light pollution and risk of disease such as macular degeneration of the eyes, cancer, diabetes, obesity, and mood disorders. LED flashing lights on emergency vehicles are increasing the risk of injury and death for first responders and the public. LED visible radiation is causing seizures, migraines, anxiety and numerous other adverse neurological reactions.

This lawsuit aims to compel the FDA to comply with federal law and act to protect the public from the hazards of visible radiation emitted by Light Emitting Diode products.

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